

PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Takamitsu ASANUMA et al.

Group Art Unit: 3748

Application No.: 10/829,160

Examiner: T. Nguyen

Filed: April 22, 2004

Docket No.: 110108.01

For:

DEVICE FOR PURIFYING THE EXHAUST GAS OF AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION

ENGINE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference(s) listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference(s) be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date AND after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of a Final Rejection, Notice of Allowance or other action that closes prosecution (e.g., Quayle Action).
 - a. I hereby certify that no item of information in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. 37 CFR §1.97(e)(2).
- 2. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of any U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.

Adjustment Date: 09/27/2005 SDIRETA1 07/11/2005 DBREWER 00000001 150461 10829160 01 FC:1806 180.00 CR 3. The references were cited by or submitted to the Office in parent application No. 09/904,875, filed July 16, 2001, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120. Thus, copies of these references are not attached. 37 CFR §1.98(d).

Respectfully submitted,

lames A. Oliti legistration No. 27,975

Joel S. Armstrong Registration No. 36,430

JAO:JSA/ldg

Date: April 25, 2005

OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC P.O. Box 19928 Alexandria, Virginia 22320 Telephone: (703) 836-6400 DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE
AUTHORIZATION
Please grant any extension
necessary for entry;
Charge any fee due to our
Deposit Account No. 15-0461

PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

2005 AUG -5 SH 3 77

ATTN:

Refund Section Accounting Div.

Office of Finance

Takamitsu ASANUMA et al.

US PATENT &

Docket No.:

110108.01

Application No.: 10/829,160

Filed: June 3, 2004

For:

DEVICE FOR PURIFYING THE EXHAUST GAS OF AN INTERNAL

COMBUSTION ENGINE

REQUEST FOR REFUND TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Attached hereto is a copy of a Monthly Statement of Deposit Account (dated July, 2005) showing a charge of \$180 related to the above-referenced application. This charge is marked with Fee Code 1806, which is the Patent Office Fee for an submission of an Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicants timely filed the Information Disclosure Statement on April 22, 2004, in compliance with the rules. Copies of the Forms PTO-1449 from the Information Disclosure Statement was merely resubmitted on May 25, 2005, because the Examiner had failed to initial the cited references. Thus, no Petition Fee was due for consideration of the cited references.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this charge be re-credited to Deposit Account No. 15-0461 and that the Patent Office acknowledge this credit in writing.

Respectfully submitted.

Joel S. Armstrong Registration No. 36,430

JAO:JSA/ldg

Date: August 4, 2005

OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC P.O. Box 19928 Alamandria Virginia 22320 DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE **AUTHORIZATION** Please grant any extension necessary for entry;



Deposit Account Statement

Requested Statement Month:

July 2005

Deposit Account Number:

150461

Name:

OLIFF & BERRIDGE P L C

Attention:

BARBARA WATTS

Address:

277 SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET

City:

ALEXANDRIA

State:

VA

Zip:

22314

Country:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DATE

SEQ

POSTING REF TXT

ATTORNEY DOCKET NBR FEE CODE

AMT

07/11

1

10829160

110108.01 1806

\$180.00